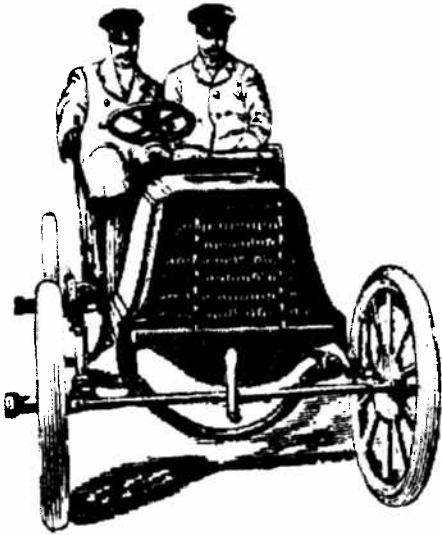






# The September Times

ALL THE HISTORY THAT FITS ON THE PAGE



## America's First Car

September 22, 1893—The first ever successful test run of an American automobile took place on this day in Springfield, Massachusetts. This first U.S. vehicle to use a gasoline engine was invented by Charles and Frank Duryea, two bicycle makers from Illinois. It took the brothers about two years to design, build, and fine-tune their car, which many people at the time called the "horseless carriage."

## National Anthem Gets Inspired

September 13, 1814—Aboard a ship in Baltimore harbor, Francis Scott Key watched as the British attack on Fort Henry unfolded. The next morning, he was inspired by the American flag still flying over the fort. He then wrote "The Star-Spangled Banner," the poem that would become the words to the official U.S. national anthem. Can you name a special day on which we display the flag to honor our freedom?

## New York Named

September 8, 1664—On this day, British soldiers seized the Dutch colony of New Netherland and its capital city New Amsterdam and renamed both for the duke of York. When did New York become a state?

## Birth of Shamu

September 26, 1985—On this day at Sea World, Florida, Shamu became the first killer whale successfully to be born in captivity. Killer whales, or orcas, can weigh 12,000 pounds, and grow to 27 feet! Kalina, as Shamu also was known, still lives in Florida, but spent years at Sea World, Texas. How do you think she was moved?

## Titanic Found

September 1, 1985—On this day, 73 years after it struck an iceberg and sank, the wreck of the ocean liner *Titanic* was found. A team of French and American scientists used sonar and special underwater video to locate the legendary ship. It had broken in half in the icy North Atlantic, and settled on the ocean floor about 12,500 feet below the surface. After the discovery, researchers found many of the ship's artifacts, including passengers' letters, journals, and jewelry. They also found china from the *Titanic's* dining room.

